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Local and Personal News.

John P. Campbell is in Dunklin county this week looking up the insurance business.

Ex-sheriff John H. Robinson has moved to his property on the hill east of town, the old Dr. Page home.

If you want to borrow money on long time and easy payments see Geo. D. Sloan.

Mrs. Ada Bolten and children left Wednesday for Kennett, Arkansas, to join her husband, who is employed there with the lumber company.

For a short time during the rain storm last Monday the water-fall was about as heavy as it ever was at any one time in this locality. It literally poured down for a few moments.

Special at Johnston's Pharmacy 10,000 votes with each 50 cent Fountain Pen.

The Stenotype, the new machine taught in the Springfield Business College is a wonderful invention. It is much easier to learn than shorthand. It appeals strongly to school teachers and advanced students who wish to command a good salary.

George D. Sloan has money to loan on improved farms on reasonable terms. See him before placing your loan. 34c.

Elmer Shroud made a trip to Bald Knob, Arkansas, the past week to look at a lot of cattle with a view of buying them. He found the country down there covered with water and there was no way to get out to where the cattle were except in a boat, so he did not get them.

A brand new \$30.00 Banjo for sale. All up in good shape, beautiful tone. Will sell at half cost. See FRANK J. PAGE.

Justice Joe Davis of Shelby township had a case up in his court one day last week in which the defendant was charged with violation of the compulsory education law, in that he failed, or refused, to send his children to school as required by the law. The matter was brought to the attention of the board of directors, and they made complaint. The defendant pleaded guilty and said he didn't know the law required school attendance, though he had been notified. He was given a nominal fine and promised to send his children to school hereafter. It would be well if the boards of directors of other school districts would comb over their territory and see if there are any such cases, for the ratio of the school funds received by each district from the state known as the state school money, is based on the attendance of the scholars and, as a consequence, the greater the average daily attendance of the district the more money the district will receive.

1,000 Piano Votes with any Retail Remedy at Johnston Pharmacy.

S. A. Douglas, of Chester, Illinois, was here the first of the week the guest of J. D. Gerlach.

Earl Moore was over from the Bluff visiting his parents, Hon. Neely Moore and wife, over Sunday.

Mrs. D. F. Luckey and little son are here from Bloomfield visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Doherty.

Miss Nellie Ray, of Chicago, came in the past week on a visit to relatives and to a brother, Alf Ray, at Pratt.

Now is the time to catch the leader in the Piano Contest. 10,000 votes with each 50 cent Fountain Pen.—Johnston's Pharmacy.

The beautiful Current river has been on another rise this week and was bank full with a tendency to spread out some this morning.

If you are in need of money see Geo. D. Sloan for terms and time before borrowing. Office in court house with probate Judge.

Tom Cardwell has sold his restaurant on Washington street, next to the Prospect-News office to J. M. Cruts, of Bardley, Pine township, who will move here and take charge. Mr. Cardwell has made a deal for the Millers bakery and will open a bake shop.

Frank Page came home last Friday evening from Little Rock to remain until the season opens again in the spring for work. He has been employed as time keeper on a gravel train on the main line of the I. M. working out of the gravel banks at Benton, he being stationed there.

We have received a copy of H. B. No. 191, introduced by Hon. J. F. Fulbright, on January 17th. The title of the bill is "To protect women and girls from being enticed, persuaded, induced or coerced into prostitution, commonly known as 'White Slavery' prohibiting their transportation for such purpose; and providing penalties therefor. It is a good measure and should become a law.

Lewis Miller, the contractor and builder, while here recently, noticed a pair of dog-irons that Charlie Fugate, of Burgett & Fugate had made, and liking their appearance gave him an order for two pairs of them, which he said he wanted for fire places in two bungalows he had just finished for himself at Arcadia, and gave Charlie the design of the irons. They were big fellows and for several days this week stood in array with other irons the firm had recently made on order.

Maurice McCauley returned the first of the week from his trip to Columbia where he attended the meeting of Farmers Week. He says they had a great meeting, the largest attendance and the most interest ever before shown at the conventions and the program of lectures and instruction was the best ever given and worth to any man more than the expense and time required to attend. Mr. McCauley was re-elected president of the Southeast Missouri District State Corn-Growers Association.

A car load of black Republicans arrived here last Sunday night on a special train and expect to remain for a week or two, or until they get all the ties loaded up in the yards here that are ready for loading. They are all standard Republicans too for the reason that ex-President Roosevelt said he didn't want any colored folks in the Bull Moose party, and as nearly all "colored persons" are Republicans, they must necessarily be stand-patters. Some of the local tie loaders, went down to the yards and interviewed the colored brothers and when the interview closed the colored folks concluded they didn't want to stay here over night so the extra train takes them to Orléans station and comes back in the morning. Ripley county, and especially Doniphan, is one of the places in the country that the "colored population" seem to have an aversion for, and it is well, perhaps, that they do.

The Assessor's Books.

Assessor George E. Ponder completed the work on the personal and land tax book for the year 1913 last Saturday, for the taxes for the year 1912, and the county court examined and approved them at its session for that purpose last Monday. The books give the following values:

Real estate, acres, 380,426, valued at \$2,204,302, or a rate of \$5.79 1/2 per acre.

Town lots, number, 1,651, valued at \$385,800, or a rate of \$233.50. Making a total real estate valuation of \$2,590,102.

The personal property books give the following values:

Horses, number, 3,624, valued at \$208,870, or a rate of \$57.64 per head.

Mules, number, 1,564, valued at \$96,910, or a rate of \$61.95 per head.

Asses and Jennets, 58, valued at \$3,435, or a rate of \$59.00 per head.

Neat cattle, 11,022, valued at \$119,065, or a rate of \$10.78 1/2 per head.

Sheep, 2,583, valued at \$3,655, or a rate of \$1.42 per head.

Hogs, 16,730, valued at \$26,976, or a rate of \$1.61 per head.

All other live stock, 193, valued at \$230.00 or a rate of \$1.19 per head.

The value of the money, notes and bonds returned amounts to \$147,015.

Corporate companies, bank stock, etc., \$36,275.

Estates in administration, \$16,270.

All other personal property in classes No. 3, 4 and 10 of the assessment list, \$109,876.

The total personal amounting to \$853,167, and the total assessed value of the realty and personal property returned by the assessment of June 1st, last, amounted to \$3,448,269.

While the acreage valuation averages higher than it did for the tax year of 1911, much of the real estate is not as high as it was that year, the increase amounting to nearly \$60,000.

The personal assessment shows no appreciable increase, the return for the tax year of 1912 being \$853,167, and the return for this year, 1913, \$858,167, or an increase of only \$5,000.

The real estate increase is as follows: For 1913 \$2,590,102 For 1912 2,542,706

The increase \$47,457

State Bank Opening.

The State bank opened for business in their new building last Saturday regularly, though they had been doing some work there while they were moving and getting things fixed up in their new home. During the day the board of directors held a meeting and confirmed the official slate made up at their regular meeting the Tuesday preceding, and then proceeded to dedicate the building by inviting in all who desired to come, apples, cookies and cigars being furnished and the wives of the officers, Mesdames J. C. Sheppard, T. L. Wright, P. J. Burford, Chester Pearce, and others, being present in the directors room to welcome all who called and offer them the refreshments.

The new building is without doubt one of the handsomest concerns of the kind to be found anywhere in the State the inside furnishings being substantial, elegant and massive. There is, perhaps, no town in the state, of any size, that has handsomer or more substantial banking concerns than Doniphan.

We are still making our club rate offer of 25 cents per month. No extra assessments. Build your line to city limits (not any of our boards in country.) You will meet your there, keep up line to city limits and give you service to all points in Ripley county, for 25 cents per month. Form your clubs and see us about contracts.

DONIPHAN TELEPHONE COMPANY. See our Fountain Pen deal, 10,000 piano votes with each pen. 50 cents at Johnston's Pharmacy.

The Piano Contest.

Following we give the result of the last count of the votes in the piano contest now on at Johnston's Pharmacy. There are some close races, No. 88 and No. 5 are only 100 votes apart while nearly a hundred of the entrants are strung out not very far behind the high ones. It is an interesting race and will close April 14 next:

No. 1—424,880	160—494,075
3—463,839	162—518,020
5—569,405	163—507,170
8—372,875	165—448,540
16—413,970	166—513,385
19—343,555	168—522,750
23—358,085	169—535,110
25—403,900	171—460,720
26—427,486	174—512,425
27—450,135	178—497,035
33—409,890	179—470,960
34—567,385	180—497,945
38—393,450	182—497,670
40—206,120	186—477,425
49—436,495	187—456,820
51—478,390	188—434,060
52—514,610	189—527,640
53—417,780	191—432,110
54—508,750	194—443,210
57—369,820	196—532,825
58—415,700	199—493,450
64—471,870	204—527,425
68—349,630	206—507,430
75—448,165	210—439,460
77—438,825	211—465,315
81—541,290	212—472,315
85—427,610	220—535,620
88—599,595	223—447,410
90—384,750	224—488,345
94—519,375	226—477,885
101—517,610	227—487,625
104—412,630	239—494,245
107—549,180	231—492,060
108—494,450	232—503,295
109—555,745	234—488,815
110—424,545	235—490,445
115—339,270	236—567,220
121—568,425	240—518,835
129—551,930	243—399,885
131—546,220	244—448,815
132—527,645	247—474,785
133—546,610	251—505,150
135—358,455	254—498,375
137—485,065	256—494,565
146—493,360	257—486,530
152—542,945	258—478,245

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Marriages.

Since the first of January the following marriage licenses have been issued by Recorder Young, and the couples united in marriage on the date and by the person named therewith:

Geo. D. Moore and Florence F. Renner, both of Naylor, January 9th, by Elder G. L. Heidinger.

Alfred Finley, Success, Arkansas, and Marcella E. Agen, Pratt, Mo., January 14th, by Rev. David H. Sharp.

A. L. Powell, Poyner, and Nelle Dalton, Ponder, January 12th, by J. R. White.

Frank L. Hess and Minnie L. McCarty both of Naylor, January 10th, by Rev. J. S. Hunt.

Miller Dawes and Martha Todd, both of Orléans, January 18th, by Rev. Charles P. Kirkendall.

Clarence Todd and Lois Reinert, both of Orléans, January 18th, by Rev. Charles P. Kirkendall.

Zeiga Vajda, Theford, Illinois, and Anna Obernary, of Buda Pesth, Mo., January 21st, by Rev. Edwin L. Rogers at the home of the bride's parents.

Geo. M. Bangert, of St. Louis, to Nellie Emmons, Doniphan, January 23rd by Rev. M. W. Cotton, at the home of the bride's parent.

Dead Letter List.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Doniphan, Mo., postoffice, January 21, 1913, and if not called for within 30 days will be sent to the dead letter office at Washington, D. C.: Miss Birde Pyle Minnie Holder Etta Flexter Loo Veanie Keck Miss Nettie Krig Miss Myrtle Bingham Mrs. Cecely Lundy Missouri Arnold Arvel Adams Gus King Arch McShira C. D. Faulkner Arthur Gray Willie Fig Dan Martin Clifford Goodwin Mr and Mrs W. M. S. D. Pardon Wells Lester Pardon Parties calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised."

O. M. GARY, P. M.

Pryton Odum has been quite ill this week and is in a serious condition. He is a sufferer from asthma.

County Court Proceedings.

County Court met last Monday, Jan. 20th, pursuant to call by L. Harris, presiding judge, for the purpose of receiving the Assessor's books for the assessment of 1912, and for the redistricting of the county into Road districts and transacting any other business that might come before the court. There was present L. Harris, presiding judge, I. L. Smith, associate judge of the eastern district, J. W. Stanley, associate judge for the Western district, E. S. Williams, sheriff and W. H. Stone, county clerk.

The following business was transacted:

Ed. Crim, the original purchaser, showed to the satisfaction of the court that he had made full and complete payment for the east half of the southeast quarter of section 16, township 22, range 1 west, and it is therefore ordered that the facts be certified to the Secretary of State at Jefferson City, in order that a patent may issue to the said Ed. Crim, for the above described land.

Allowances were made as follows:

Steve Kitowski, lumber for county roads	4.87
R. M. Barnes, work on Current River bridge	21.10
J. J. Switzer, lumber for county roads	3.12
W. M. Andrews, lumber for county roads	12.00
W. L. McFarland, special road work	29.75

Court adjourned until following morning at 8 o'clock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21.—SECOND DAY.

Court met pursuant to adjournment, all the members being present, and the following business was transacted:

On certification of George Ponder, county Assessor, the court reduced the personal assessment of Mrs. B. V. Niswonger to \$25 for the tax of 1912, same being erroneous.

Geo. C. McCauley was loaned \$200.00; from funds of township 22, range 1 west, \$100.00, and from capital school fund, \$100.00.

Geo. E. Ponder, county assessor, presented the land and personal tax books for the assessment of 1912 and taxes of 1913, which were examined by the court and approved and accepted, and he was allowed the sum of \$915.77 for the work, one half to be paid by the county, and the remainder to be paid by the state, a warrant being ordered issued to him for the county's part, \$457.88.

The court ordered all former orders redistricting the county into road districts rescinded; and then made an order redistricting and establishing the following new road districts.

Road district No. 1 shall be composed of the municipal township of Pice.

District No. 2, to be composed of the municipal township of Gatewood.

District No. 3, to be composed of the municipal township of Union.

District No. 4, to be composed of Precinct No. 1, of Current River township.

District No. 5, to be composed of Precinct No. 2, of Current River township.

District No. 6, to be composed of Precinct No. 1, of Shelby township.

District No. 7, to be composed of Precinct No. 2, of Shelby township.

District No. 8, to be composed of Precinct No. 1, of Jordan township.

District No. 9, to be composed of Precinct No. 2, of Jordan township.

District No. 10, to be composed of the municipal township of Johnson.

District No. 11, to be composed of the municipal township of Flatwoods.

District No. 12, to be composed of the municipal township of Washington.

District No. 13, to be composed of the municipal township of Varner.

District No. 14, to be composed of the municipal township of Thomas.

District No. 15, to be composed of Precinct No. 1, of Harris township.

District No. 16, to be composed of Precinct No. 2, of Harris township.

District No. 17, to be composed of the municipal township of Doniphan.

District No. 18, to be composed of the municipal township of Kellie.

Allowances were made as follows:

H. P. Cate, repairing road tools	5.70
P. Unterberger, clothing for poor	5.50
C. O. Bocker, circuit clerk's fees	15.82
A. S. Adams, lumber for Current river bridge	69.96
W. H. Henderson, repair work on jail building	3.00
City of Doniphan, tiling for road purposes	18.00
S. A. Proctor, medical attention to prisoners	9.00
Jones-Swain Co., mice for poor farm	19.52
E. S. Williams, repairing and cleaning jail	8.00
A claim by W. L. Steffy, for \$1.50 for a wolf scalp, was rejected as the law does not compel the county court to pay for same, it being within the discretion of the court to do so.	

The court ordered a special back indebtedness fund balance of \$22.89 to be transferred to the contingent fund for the year 1913.

L. Harris, for county judge's salary, two days, was allowed... \$ 10.00
I. L. Smith, same... 10.00
J. W. Stanley, same... 10.00

Court thereupon adjourned until court in course.

Some Good Hogs.

Last week Elmer Shroud purchased four head of hogs that weighed 1850 pounds for which he paid 6 1/2 cents. Three of the bunch were purchased from W. N. Trowbridge, who lives on the McKinney farm, adjoining J. Frank Klenn's place across the river, and were pure bred Poland-China stock. These three weighed 1430, or an average weight of 476 2/3 each. The other hog of the four weighed 420 pounds and was purchased from a Mr. Birney who lives on Dr. Humes place south of town on the river. These four head cost him \$130.25, or an average cost of \$32.56 1/4.

For five head that he purchased he paid \$190.52. He also purchased from Mr. Trowbridge 20 head of Poland-China's, a little over a year old, that averaged 280 pounds each, and he paid 6 3/4 per pound for them, the total weight of the bunch amounting to 5,600 pounds, and at the price paid came to about \$380.00.

Mr. Shroud shipped a car-load to the St. Louis market the past week and one load to Iowa for feeders.

Rev. M. W. Cotton united in marriage at the home of the bride's father, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Mr. Geo. W. Bangert, of St. Louis, and Miss Nellie Emmons. Only a few friends were present. The groom is a young man of good reputation, employed by the United Railways Co. of his native city. The bride is the only daughter of W. C. Emmons, a well known citizen of the county. She is a very handsome young lady, one of the most beautiful in this county, where we have a world of pretty girls, and her many friends will join in wishing the couple joy and happiness forever.

Insect Bite Costs Leg.

A Boston man lost his leg from the bite of an insect two years before. To avert such calamities from stings and bites of insects use Bucklen's Arnica Salve promptly to kill the poison and prevent inflammation, swelling and pain. Heals burns, boils, ulcers, piles, eczema, cuts, bruises. Only 15 cents at Johnston's Pharmacy.

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